Welcome to your *Indiana Secretary of State's* office. Each and every day, my office works to charter new *businesses*, regulate the *securities* industry, oversee state *elections*, commission notaries public, register trademarks and license *auto dealerships* throughout Indiana.

My staff and I work to ensure that conducting business with state government is easy and convenient. Through innovation and effective use of technology, many of our services are available to you online at www.in.gov/sos.

Every day we serve Hoosiers by upholding three core values: sound business practice, outstanding customer service and smart government. If my office may ever be assistance to you, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Financial literacy is the most important way to protect you and your hard earned money from fraudulent activity. The Indiana Investment Watch program reaches out to Hoosiers on a personal level by providing materials designed to educate Hoosiers about the various securities fraud scams operating in our changing global marketplace.

Financial literacy lesson plans for teachers, helpful tips for newlyweds, the necessary resources to become informed investors and more are available at www.IndianaInvestmentwatch.com.

Elections

As Indiana's Chief Election Officer, the Secretary of State helps govern and ensure fair, legal and orderly elections. Through the Election Division, Hoosiers can register to vote, find their polling location and access who is on their ballot online. Go to www.IndianaVoters.com to explore the variety of free resources available to Hoosier Voters.

Not sure who your current elected officials are? Find out through Who Are Your Elected Officials at www.in.gov/sos.

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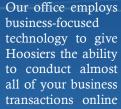
level. This tool is also available for your smartphone or tablet. Search Who Are Your Elected Officials or WAYEO.

Our Securities Divison

The Indiana Securities Division is the front line of defense for Indiana investors, investigating and helping Hoosiers learn how to combat securities fraud and protect their assets. As part of this vital effort, the division licenses and regulates loan brokers, securities broker dealers, investment advisors, collection agencies and continuing care retirement communities.

Through the Prosecution Assistance Unit, the Securities Division aids law enforcement and prosecutors in criminal securities and loan broker violations. Since its inception in 2002, the unit has helped to convict 74 criminals in cases statewide, resulting in more

than 580 years of time sentenced and \$30.6 million in restitution ordered to crime victims.



Business Services

from jump-starting a new venture to helping businesses keep up-to-date records with the



state. The Business Services Division also maintains records of Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) filings, issues trademarks and registers notaries public.

At <u>www.in.gov/sos</u> the paperless process for incorporating a new business in Indiana takes minutes.

Many transactions are available online, including:

- Creating a corporation, LLC, nonprofit or other business
- Filing your business entity report
- Submitting UCC financing statements and amendments
- Researching business entities





Dealer Services

Our office works hand-in-hand with your local auto, boat, motorcycle and RV

dealers. Our team makes sure that these local, small-business owners have the service they need to thrive in your community.

But this division doesn't just help the dealers. If a car dealer doesn't provide a car buyer with a vehicle title, the division will help the consumer track it down. For up-to-date information on theses services and more, visit www.in.gov/sos.dealer.